CHAPTER 180

" MINUANO "

STORY/ART: TOONIMATED

HEY!

HEY!

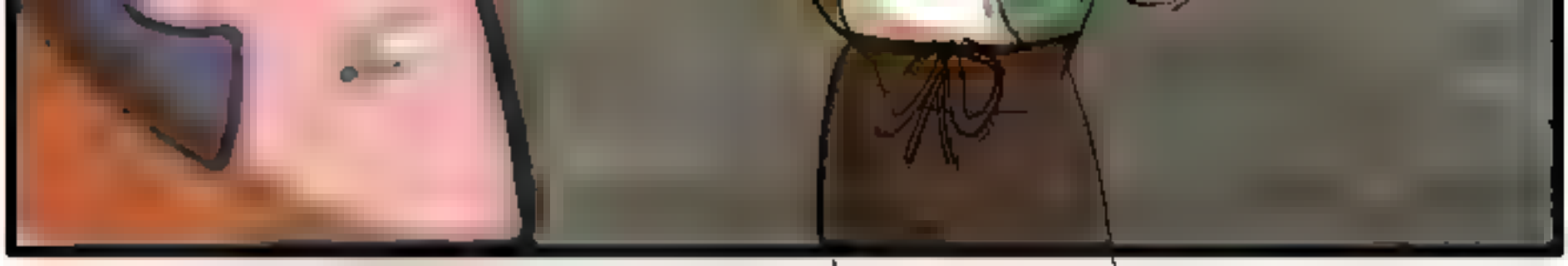
THAT WAS MINE, SYLVIA!

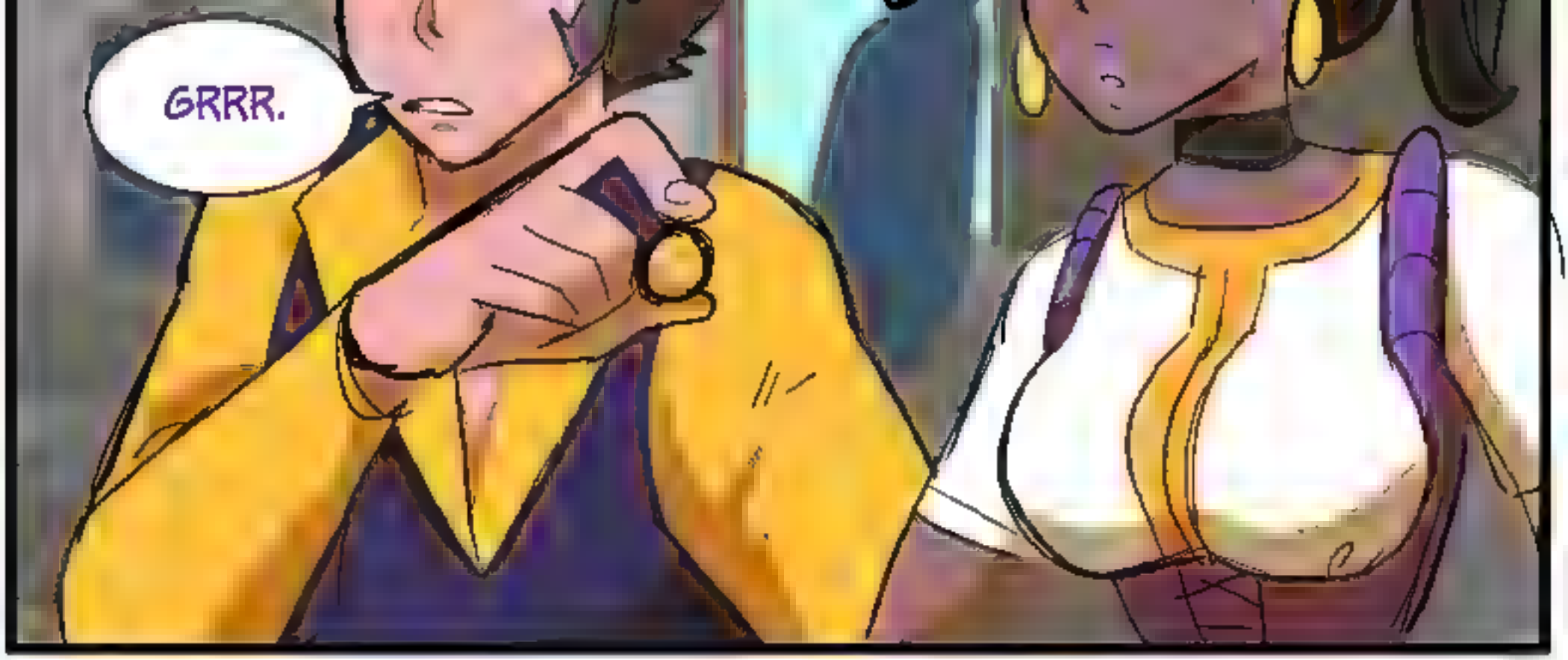
SORRY! COULDN'T HELP IT...
IT WAS THE LAST ONE TOO...

WAITER!
ANOTHER CHICKEN

ANOTHER CHICKEN WING PLEASE!

SORRY,
WE'RE
OUT.



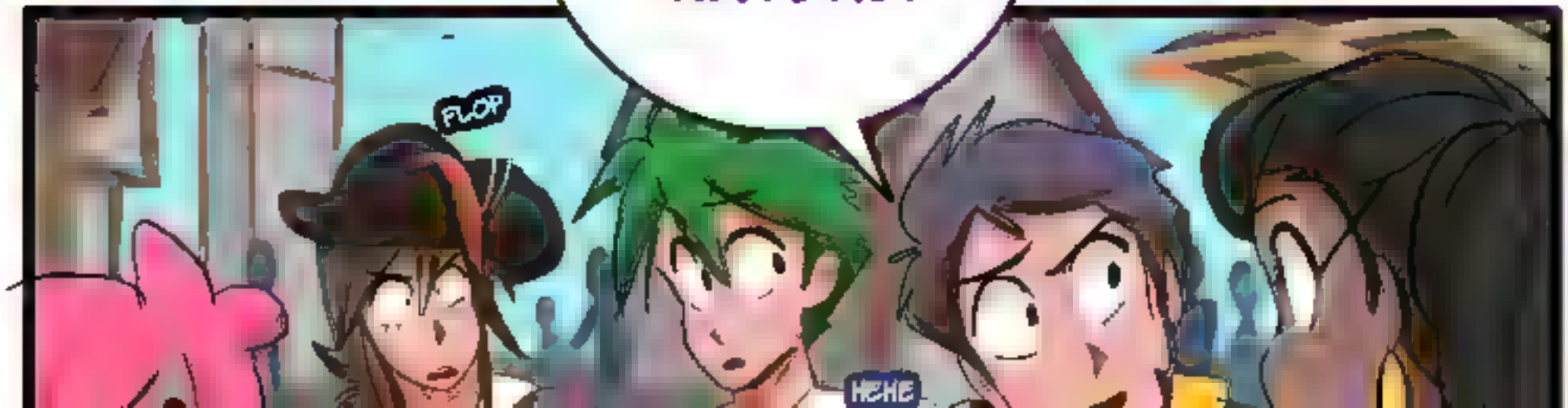

GRRR.

DON'T
EVEN THINK
ABOUT IT

MISTER.

NO TIME TRAVELLING, REMEMBER?

SORRY... SECOND NATURE.



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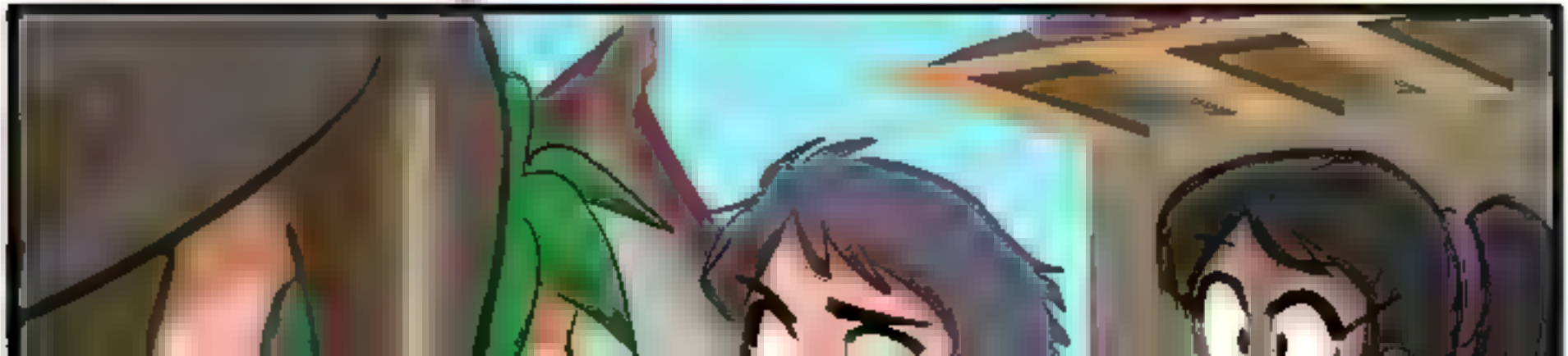
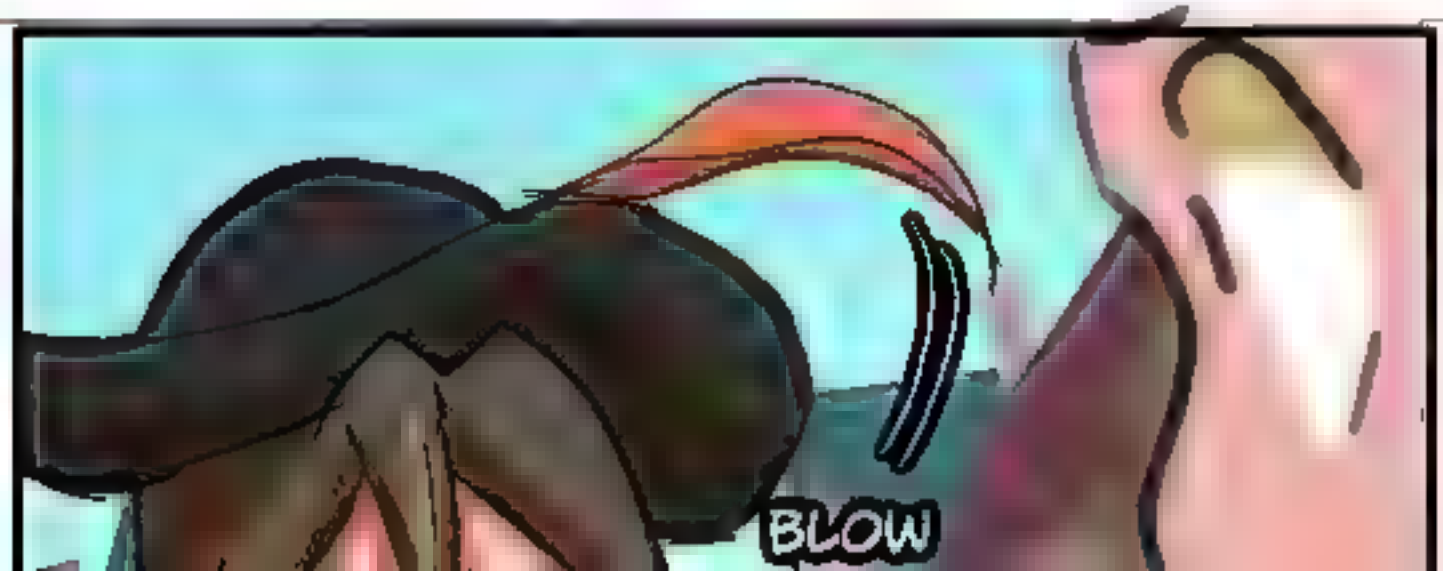
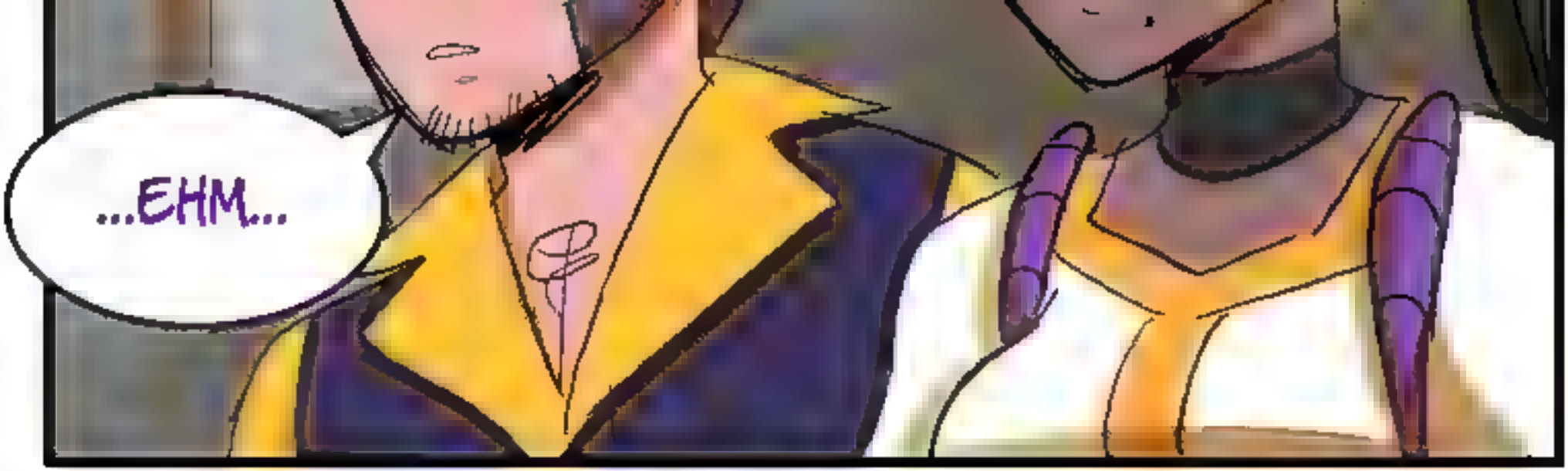


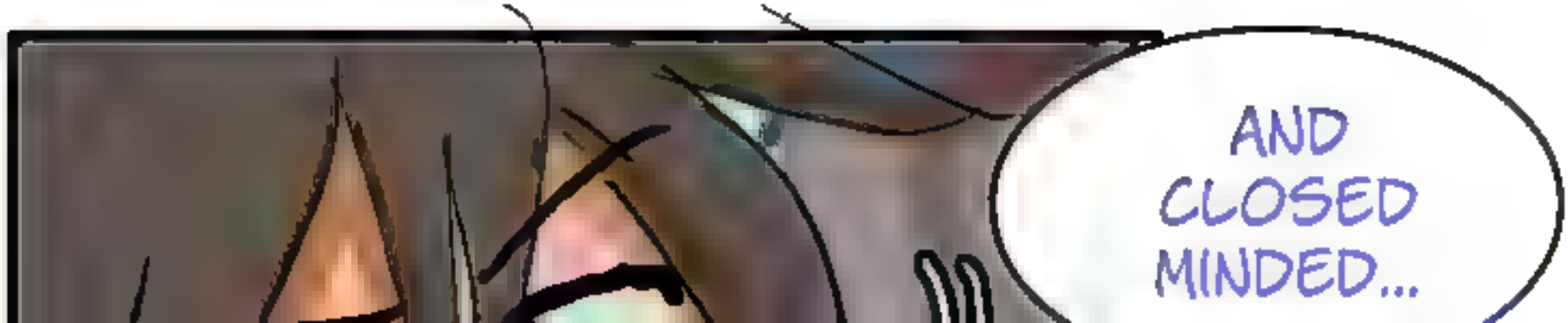

BLOW

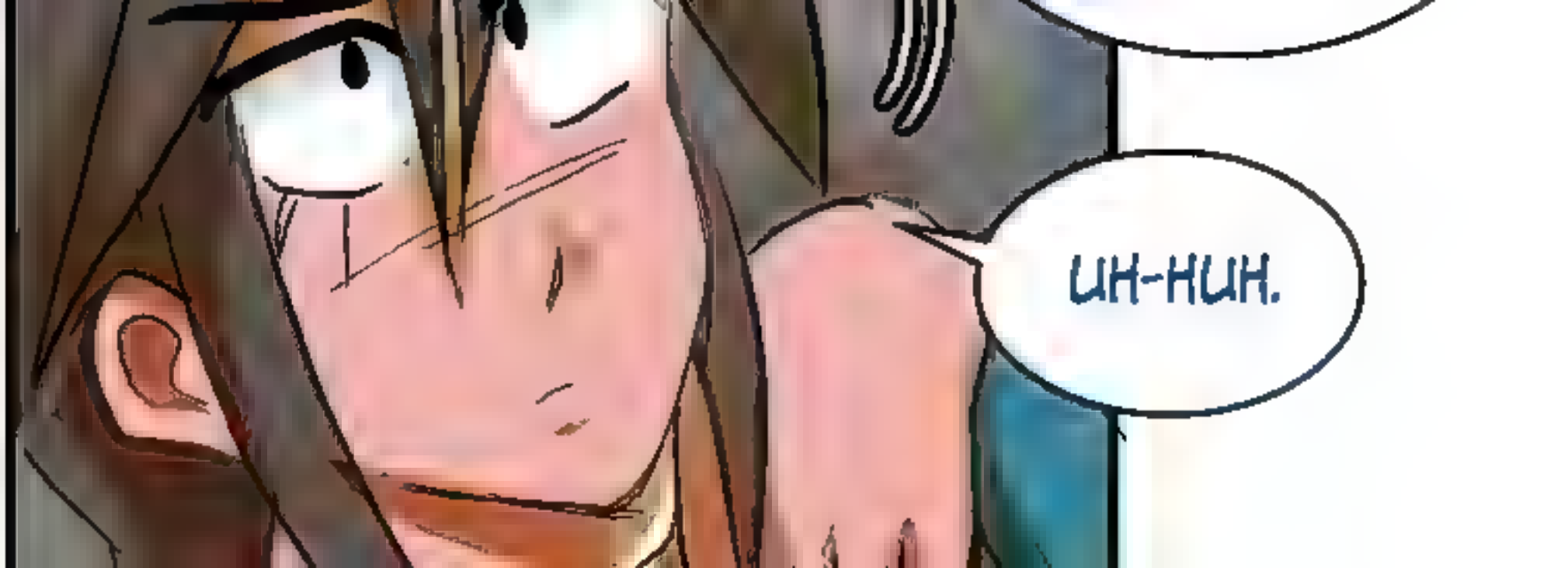
SO YOU CAN LISTEN TO OTHERS.

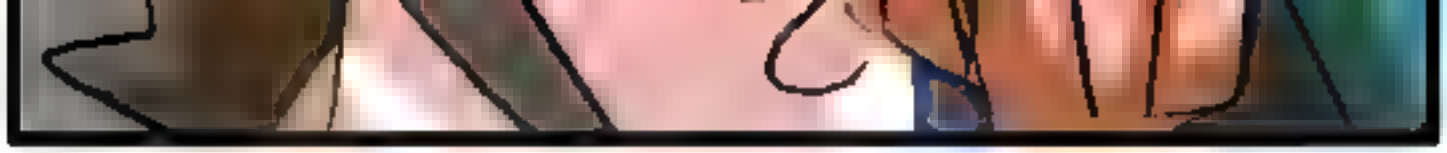
NO WRECKLESS STUNTS WHEN NEPH'S AROUND, HUH?


...EHM...

NOW KODY, IRO MIGHT BE DIFFICULT...
AND STUBBURN...


AND CLOSED MINDED...


UH-HUH.



AND
EVEN A LITTLE
OBNOXIOUS...

THERE'S A BUT RIGHT? WHEN ARE YOU GONNA GET TO THE BUT?

BUT!!!

HE MEANS WELL.

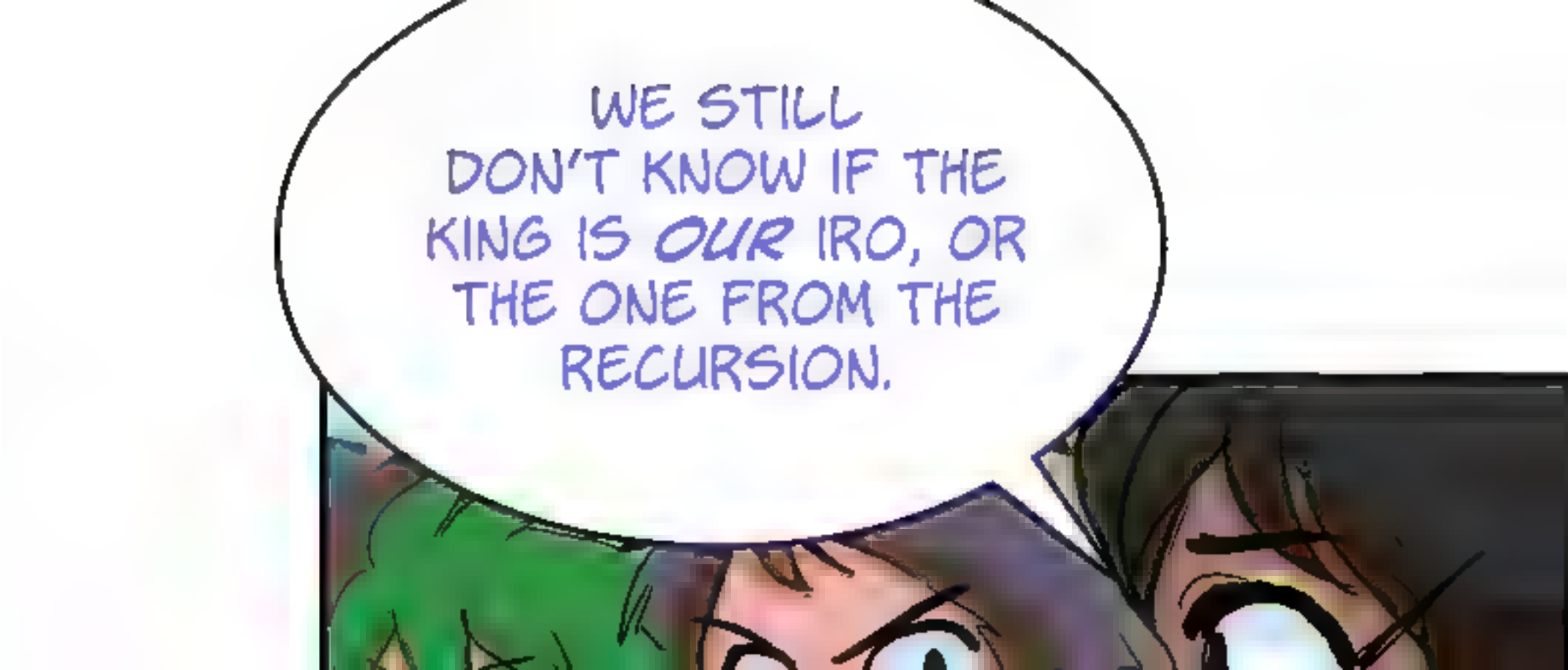
AND
CARES FOR
OTHERS.

WE'LL
SEE ABOUT
THAT!

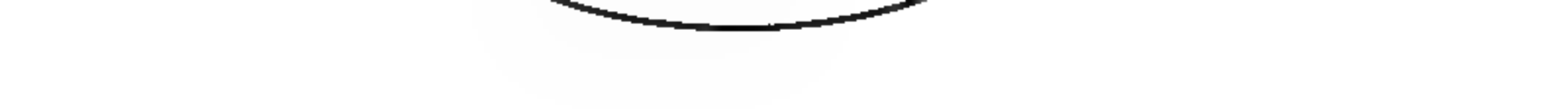
I
DON'T THINK
COOPERATING WITH
THE SORCERER...

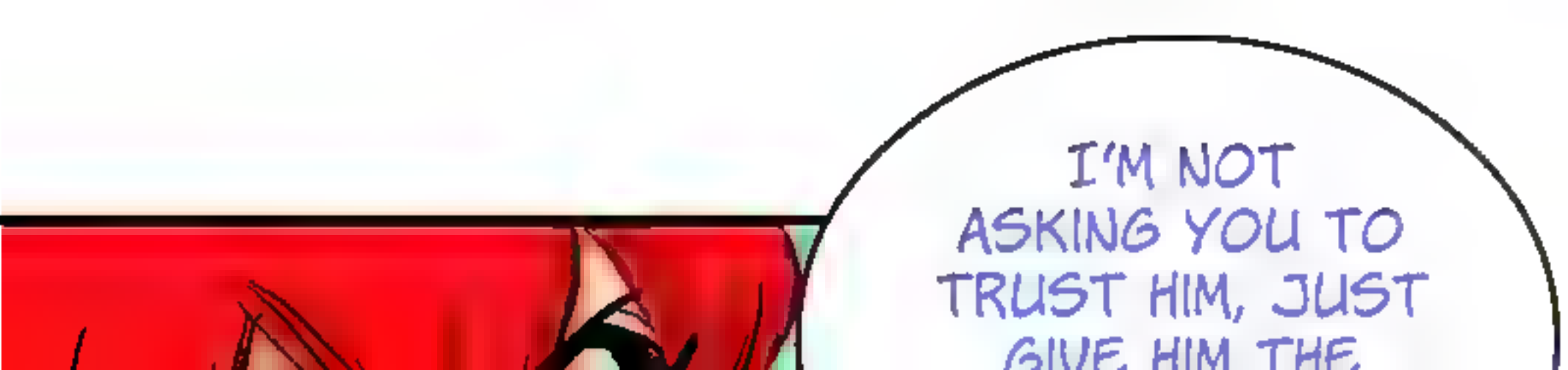
...AND IMPERSONATING ROYALTY CAN BE EXPLAINED AWAY AS A LITTLE

"MISUNDER-
STANDING".


WE STILL DON'T KNOW IF THE KING IS OUR IRO, OR THE ONE FROM THE RECURSION.

MUCH LESS IF HE'S ALLIED WITH THE SORCERER.
THAT'S WHY WE'RE TAKING PRECAUTIONS AND NOT TIME TRAVELING, REMEMBER?

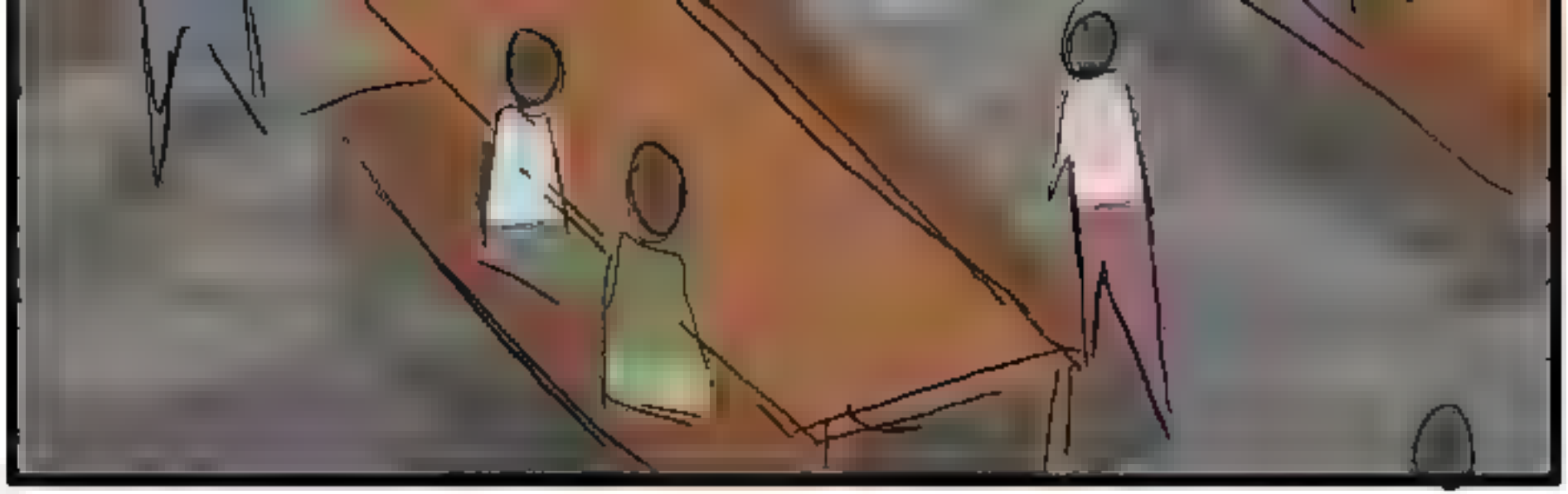



I'M NOT ASKING YOU TO TRUST HIM, JUST GIVE HIM THE

BENEFIT OF THE
DOUBT...OKAY?
HUMF

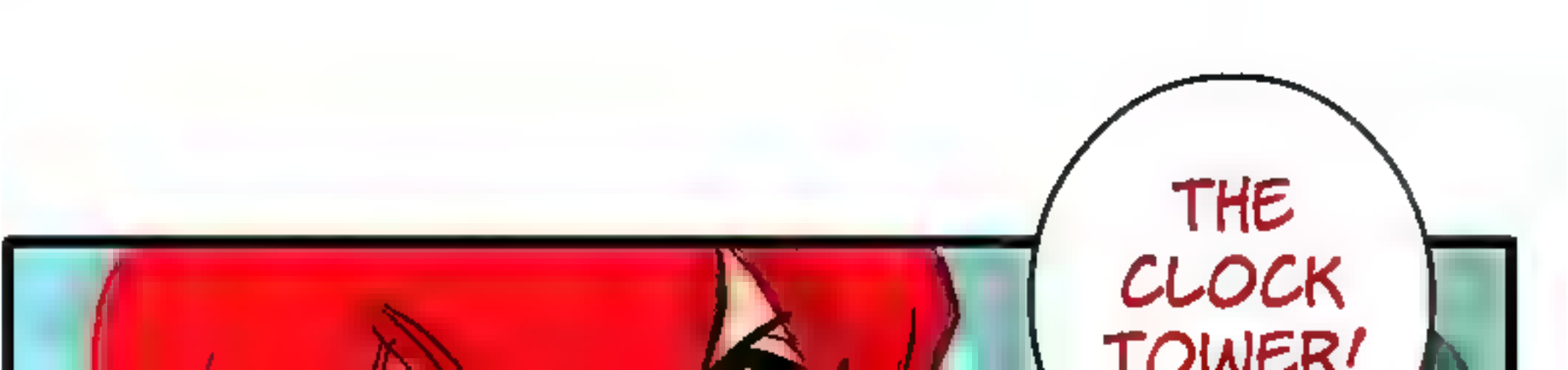
NOW WE'VE EATEN, WE NEED TO COME UP WITH A PLAN.

TORI'S SWORD IS GONE, AND WE CAN'T TIME TRAVEL, SO WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO LOOK FOR IT THE OLD FASHIONED WAY.



DO WE HAVE ANY CLUES?

THINGS
THE SORCERER
LIKED TO DO,
PLACES HE MIGHT
TRY TO HIDE?

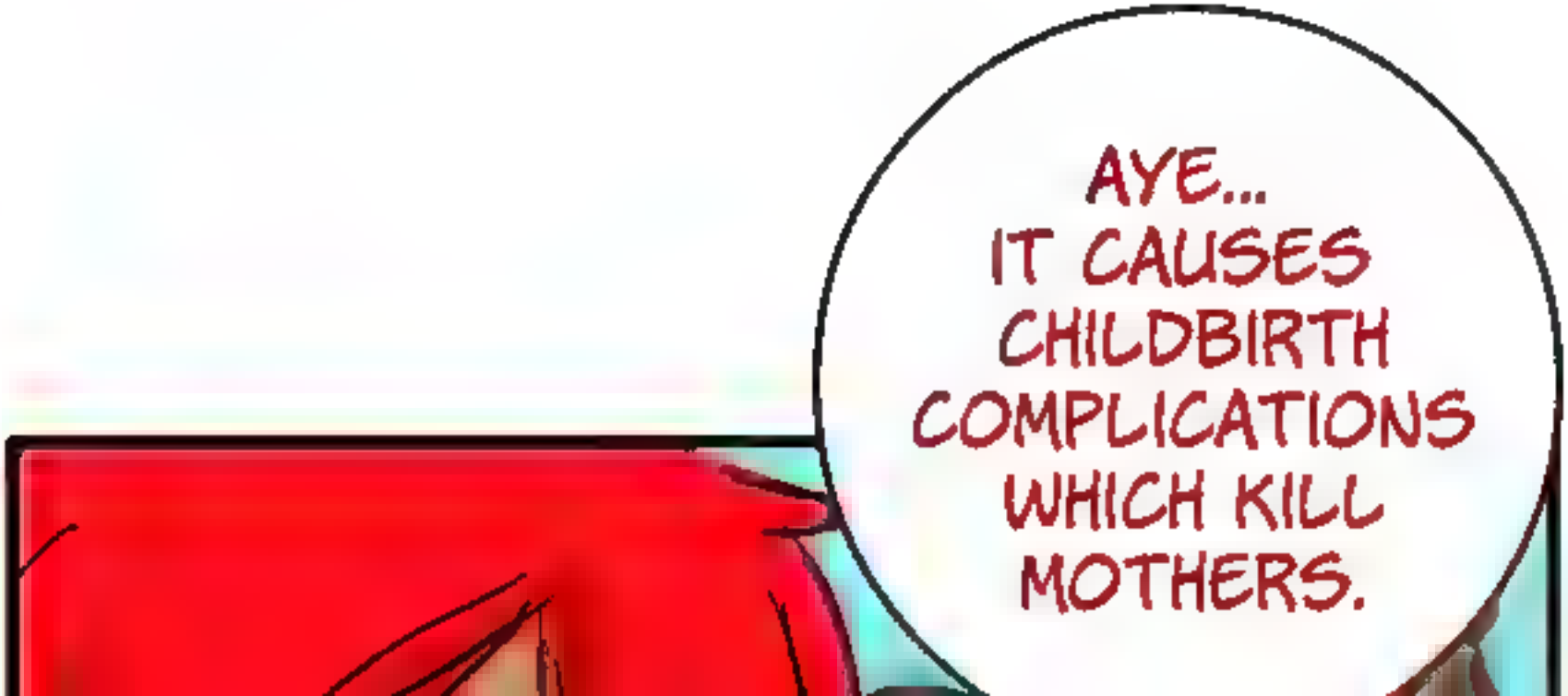

THE CLOCK TOWER!

POWER!

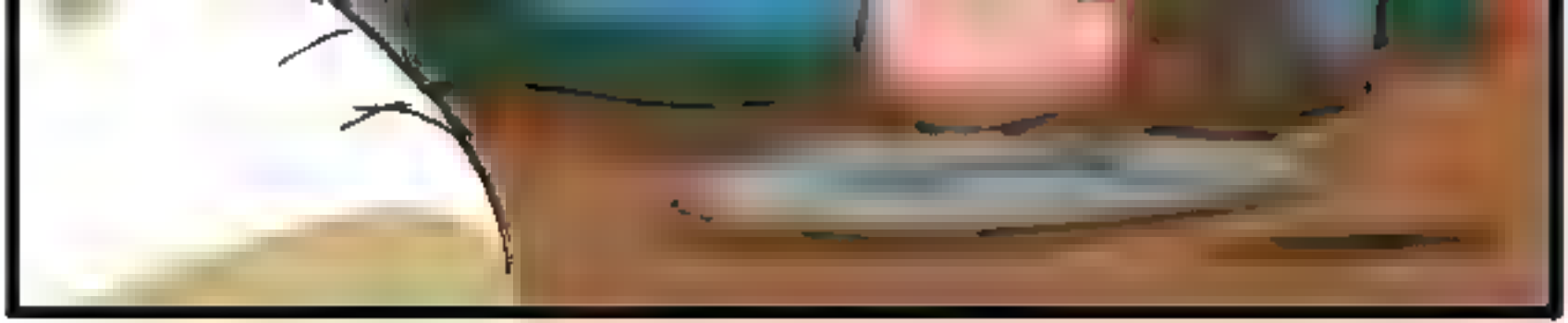
AMELIA USED TO GO THERE IN SECRET TO MEET THE SORCERER.

HE PROMISED THAT AS LONG AS THEY KEPT UP THEIR VISITS THE CURSE WOULD BE LIFTED.

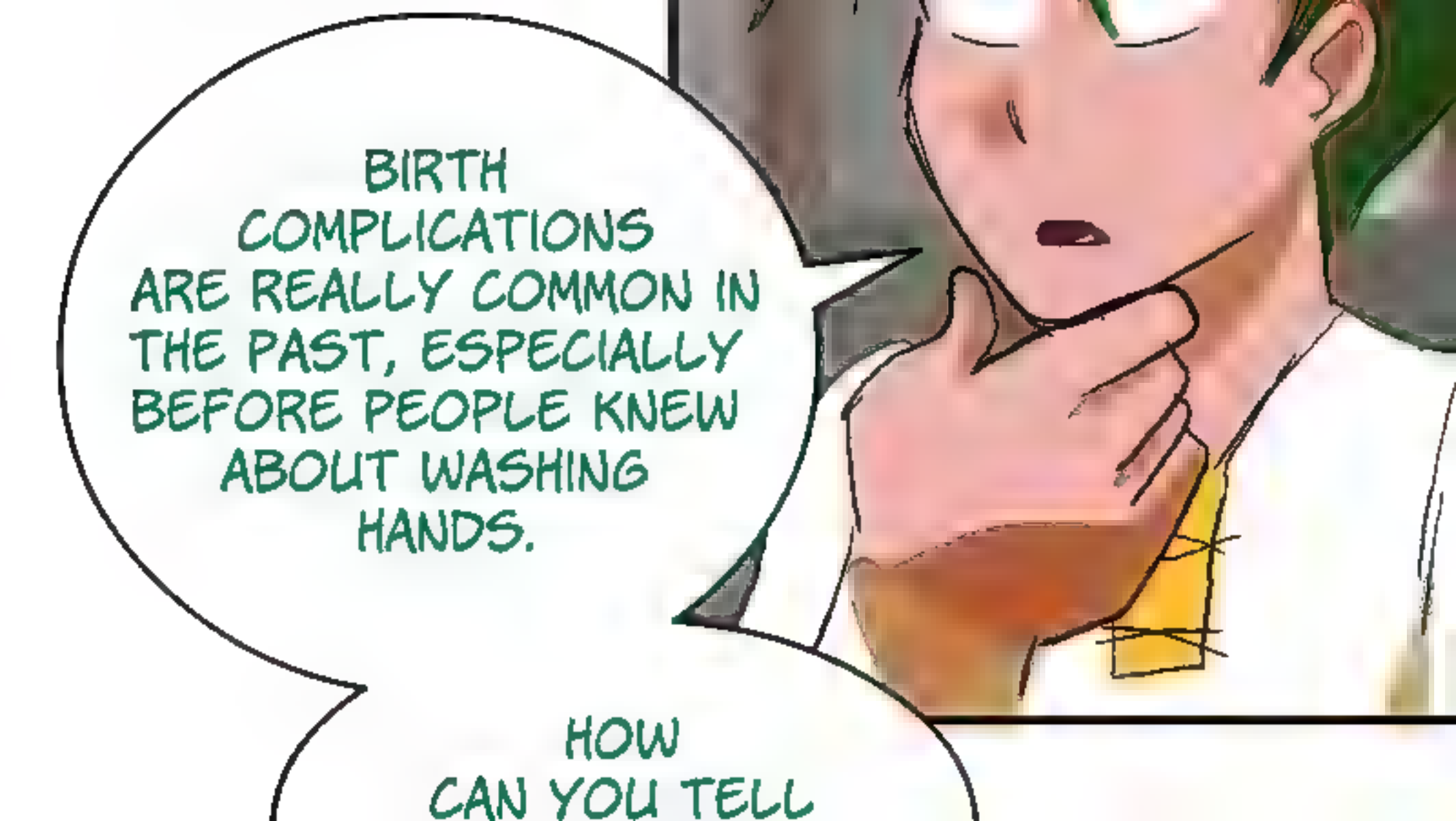
CURSE?


AYE...
IT CAUSES CHILDBIRTH COMPLICATIONS WHICH KILL MOTHERS.

PLOP

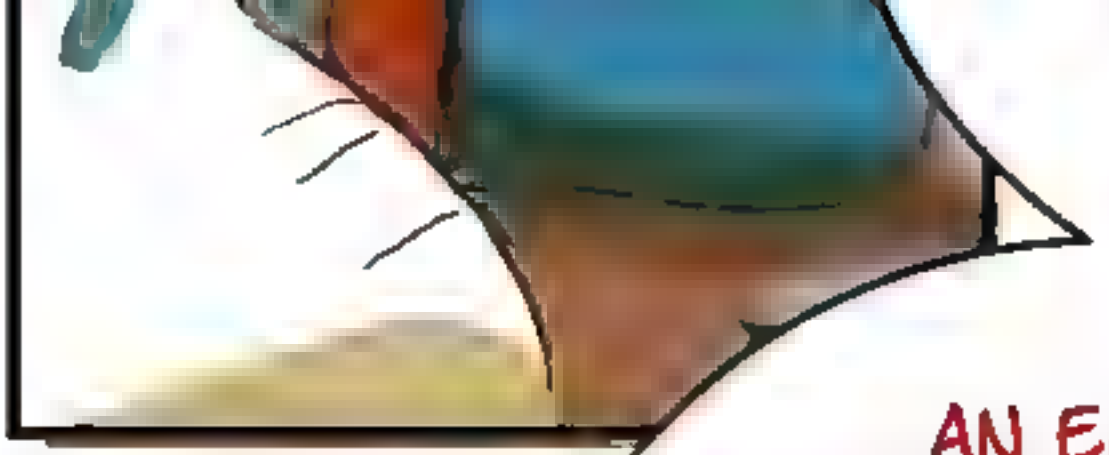


ARE YOU SURE IT'S A CURSE?


BIRTH COMPLICATIONS ARE REALLY COMMON IN THE PAST, ESPECIALLY BEFORE PEOPLE KNEW ABOUT WASHING HANDS.
HOW CAN YOU TELL

IT'S NOT A NATURAL THREAT?

IT IS
TRUE THERE
ARE DANGERS TO
CHILDBIRTH WE DO NOT
UNDERSTAND... BUT EVEN
WE DO NOT LOSE EVERY



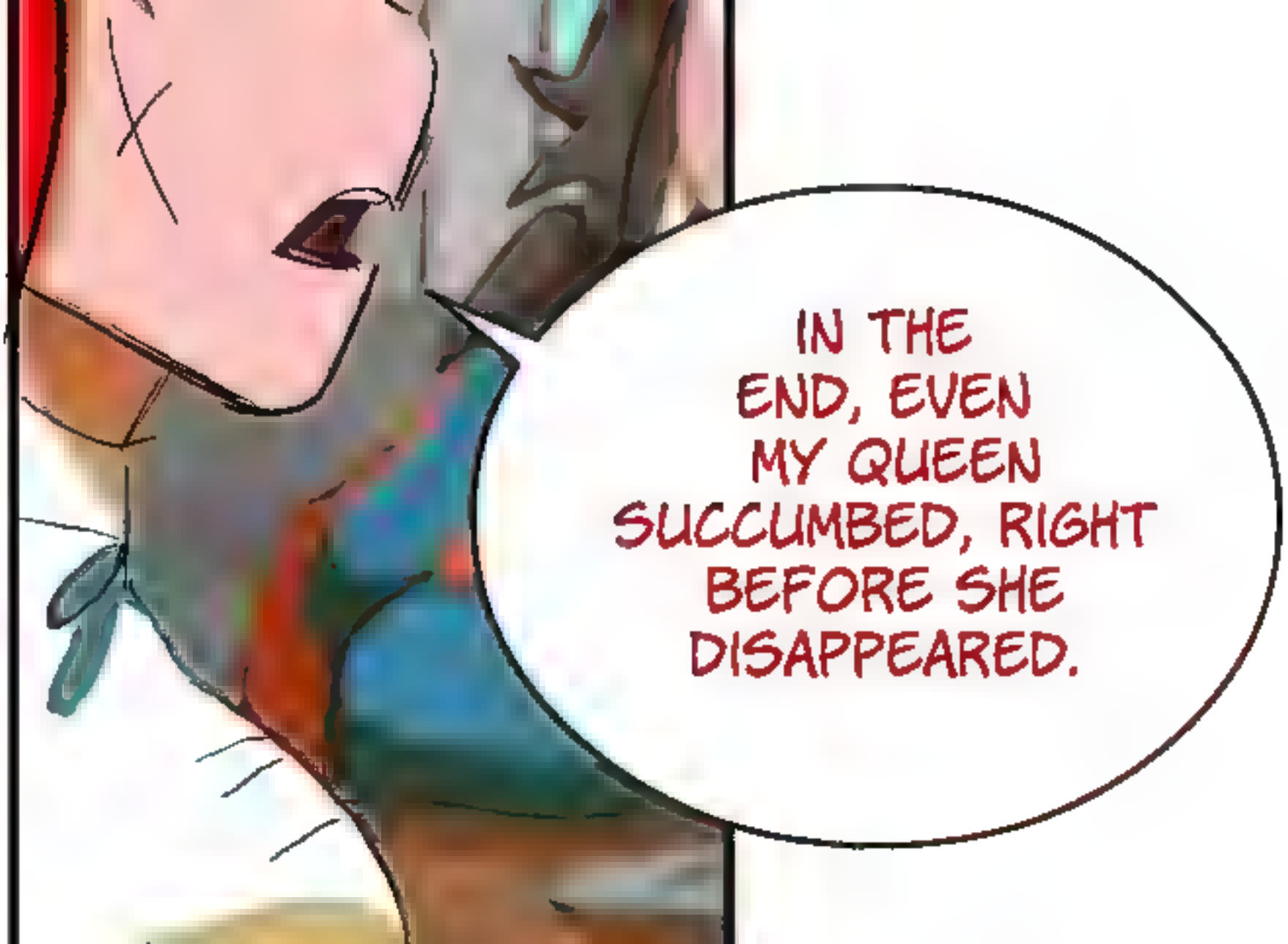
MOTHER FOR OVER TWENTY YEARS.

AN ENTIRE GENERATION OF WOMEN HAS BEEN WIPED OUT, AND WITH THE FOOD SCARCITY RISING FROM THE SUDDEN LOSS OF

HALF OUR FARMERS,
A GOOD DEAL OF
OUR MEN
TOO.

WE KNOW
NOTHING THAT

COULD CAUSE THIS WIDESPREAD DEVASTATION, SO WHAT ELSE COULD IT BE BUT A CURSE?


IN THE END, EVEN MY QUEEN SUCCUMBED, RIGHT BEFORE SHE DISAPPEARED.

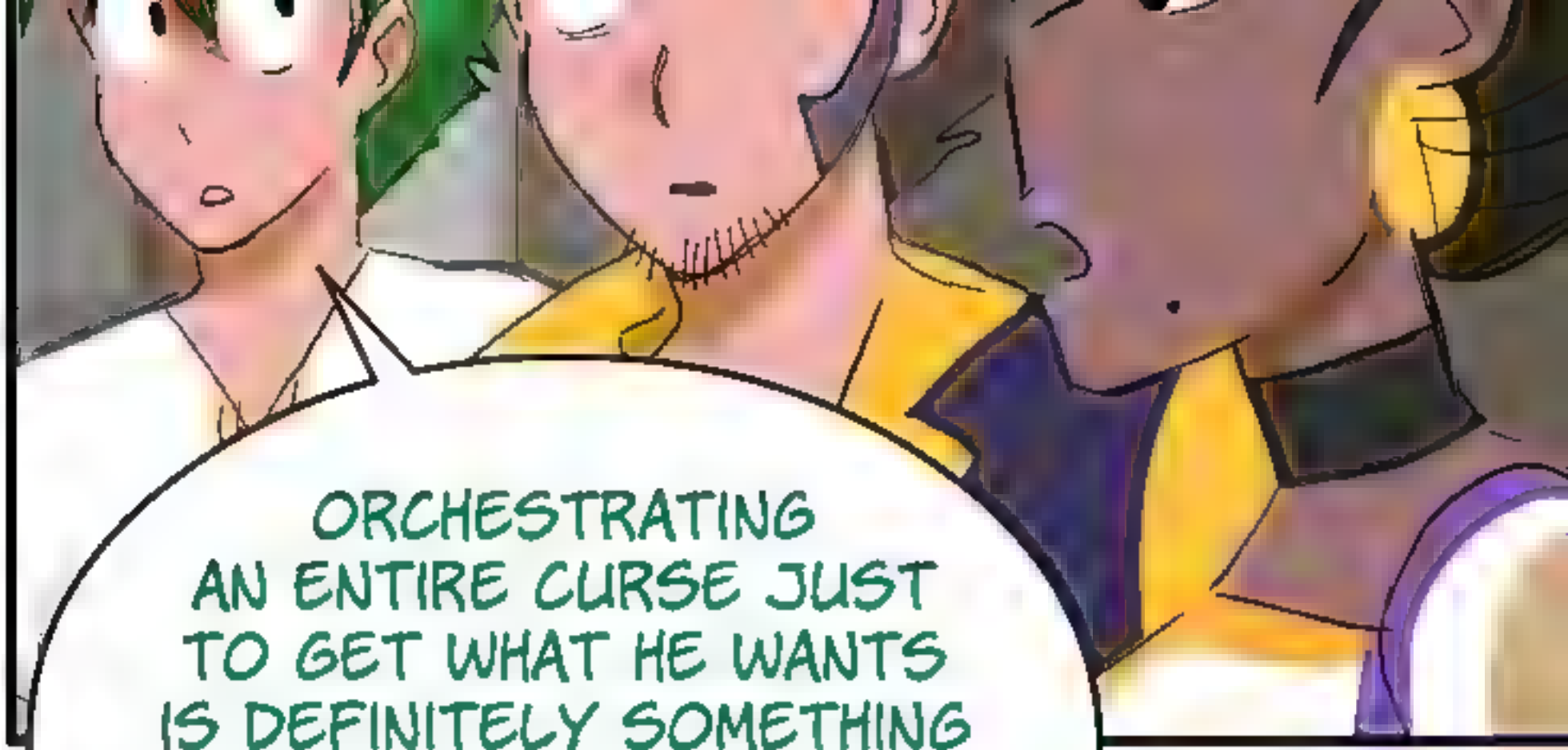
I SEE.
SO THAT'S WHY
AMELIA CROSSED TO

RECURSION 1, SHE
WAS ESCAPING FROM
THE CURSE.

IT'S A GOOD THING SHE ENDED UP IN A HOSPITAL WITH THE OTHER NEPHTHYS.

DON
HAS THE POWER TO

ALTER REALITY AND THE PATIENCE OF THOTH...


ORCHESTRATING AN ENTIRE CURSE JUST TO GET WHAT HE WANTS IS DEFINITELY SOMETHING HE WOULD DO. IF WE GET THE SWORD BACK, WE CAN PROBABLY

LIFT IT.

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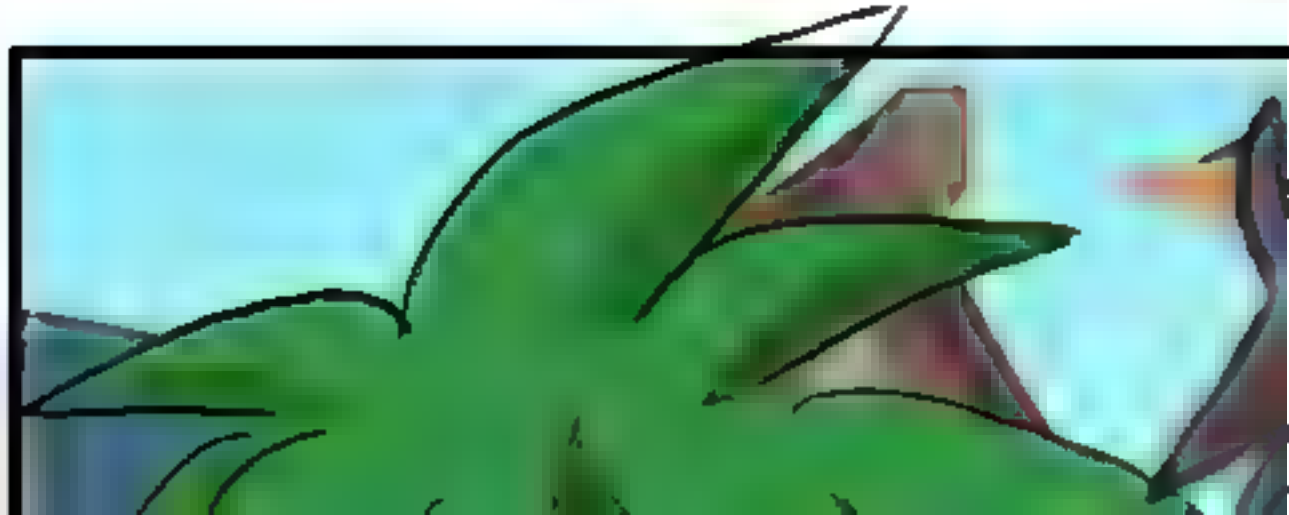
THAT
SORCERER NEEDS
TO GET HIS ASS
KICKED!



IF HE'S GOING TO THE SAME PLACE, WE NEED TO BE CAREFUL.

IT'S
PROBABLY NOT
THE BEST IDEA TO

BE SEEN THERE AT THE SAME TIME.

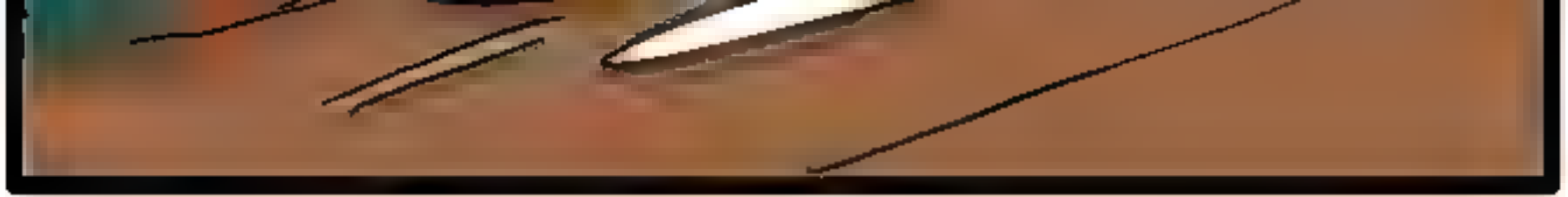
WE SHOULD CHECK IT OUT, BUT

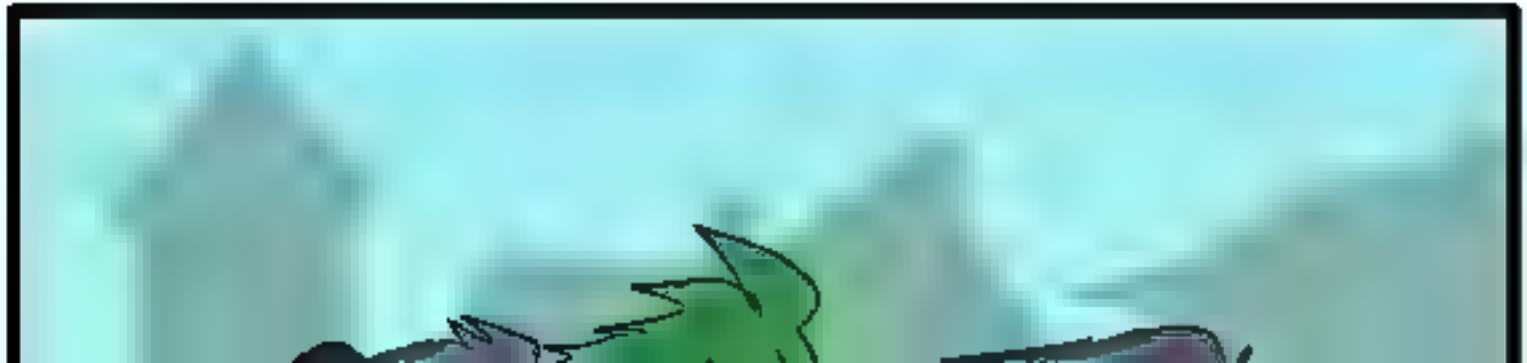
STEALTHILY, AND WITHOUT RISKING CONTACT.
AYE.

SO HOW DO WE DO THAT?

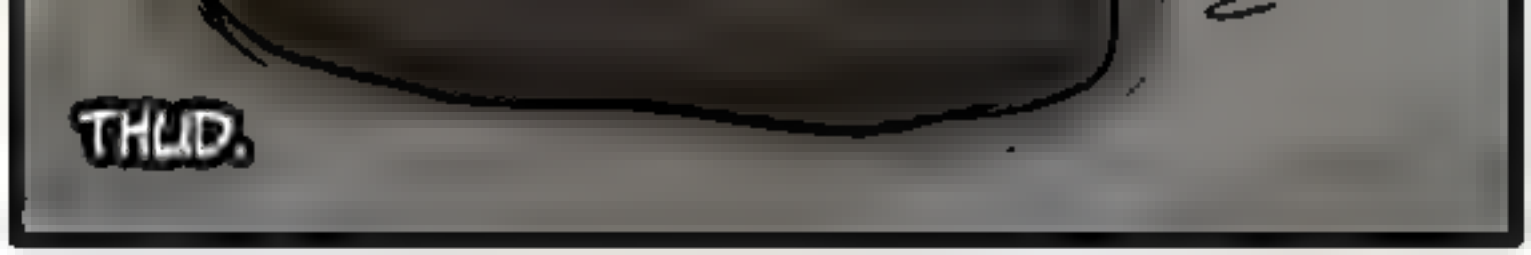
WE...

WE
GET RID
OF THIS DAMN
THING!





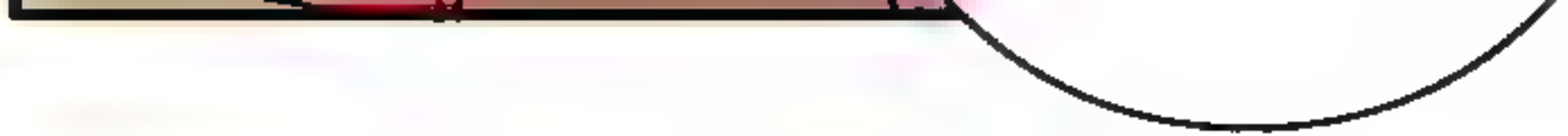
THROW!!!



I NEED ANOTHER OUTFIT. I WOULDN'T MIND IF IT AT LEAST HELPED MY STATS. BUT OUT

HERE ALL IT DOES IS GET ME WEIRD LOOKS FROM STRANGERS.
GIGGLE

IT'S NOT A GOOD CHOICE FOR STEALTH WORK.



OBVIOUSLY.
NO ONE HAS
SEEN ANYTHING
LIKE IT.

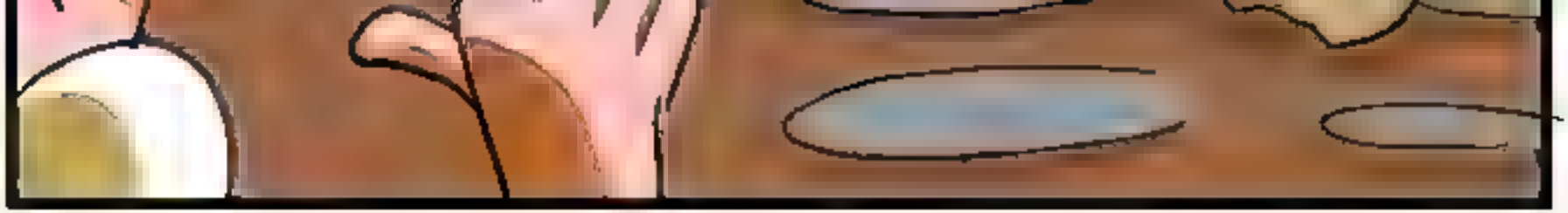
YE BRING WAY TOO MUCH ATTENTION WITH THAT RIDICULOUS THING ON.

LUCKILY FOR YE, THERE IS A SHOP

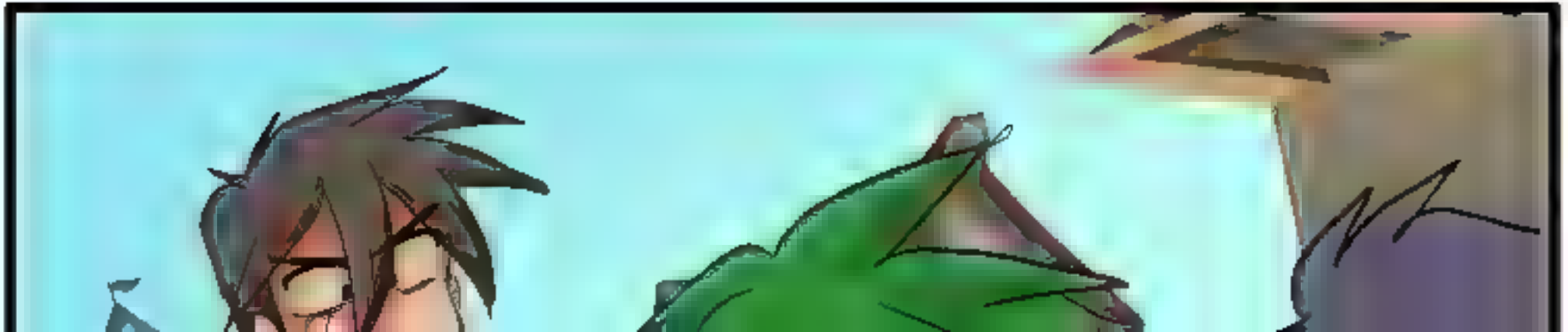
GYRUS AND I WILL GO DO SOME SHOPPING.

WE'LL

CATCH UP IN A BIT.
STAND



I
WANT TO GO
TOO!



CAPTAIN, THAT'S NOT

NO, IT'S--
IT'S NOT ABOUT

IT'S NOT ABOUT YOU TWO THIS TIME... I PROMISE!

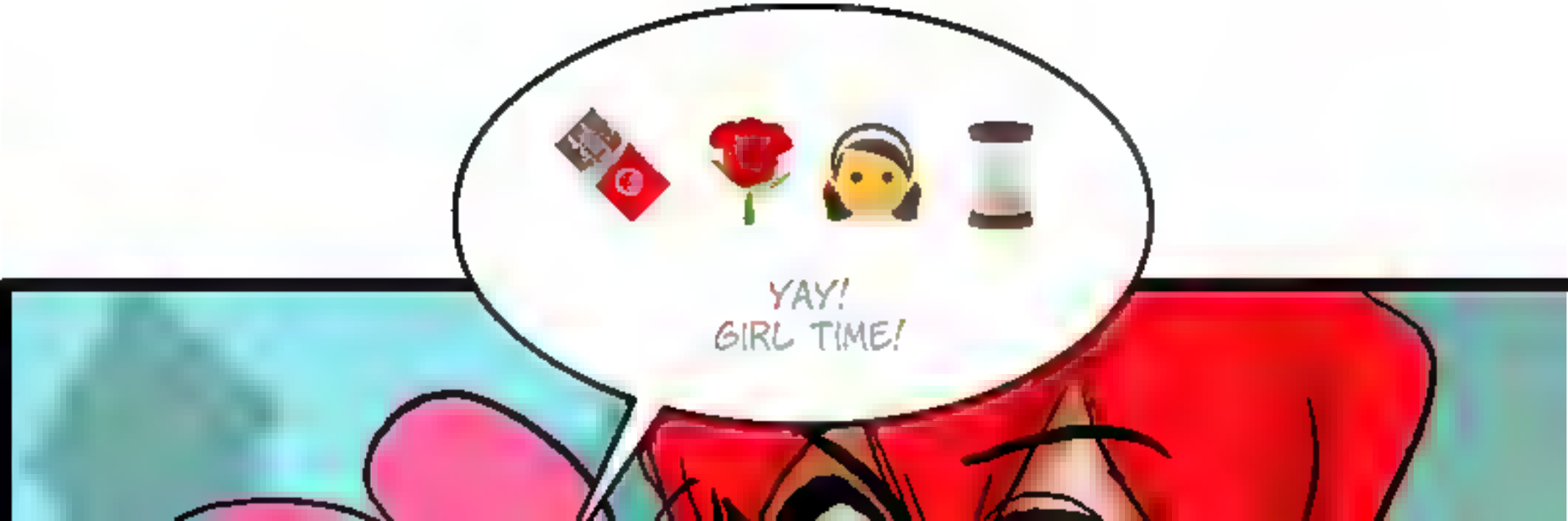
I JUST REALLY LIKE SOUVENIR SHOPPING, AND I DON'T HAVE ONE FROM THIS ERA.

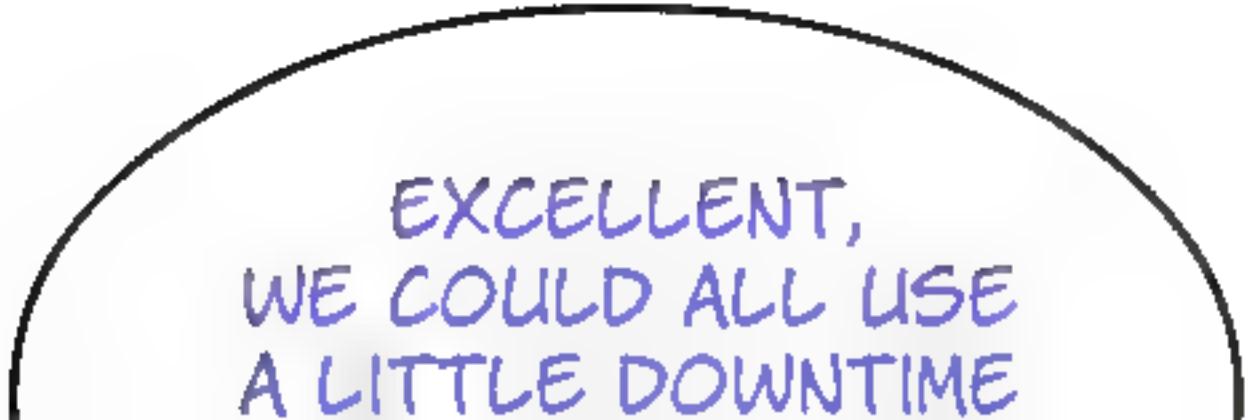
YOU'LL GET OVER IT.

YOU GUYS HAVE FUN! NOW SHOO!

BUT...

WHY DON'T YOU PUT SOME OF THOSE COINS TO USE AND TAKE ME TO PLAY SOME OF THE FAIR GAMES?


YAY!
GIRL TIME!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A LITTLE DOWNTIME

BEFORE THE NEXT ADVENTURE!

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